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Colbert Landfill Preauthorization Package Review

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Attached is a brief chronology of the events leading to the preauthorization request from Spokane County, the implementing PRP, for the design and construction of the remedial action. Throughout this process the two most involved PRPs, Spokane County and Keytronic Corp, maintained open communications with both EPA Region 10 and Washington State Department of Ecology. Virtually all of the actions indicated on the attachment involved meetings and discussions between the PRPs and the agencies.

The Community Relations Plan included numerous meetings with the PRPs and the local community. The plan was essentially followed with more than the called for number of meetings.

If you have any questions or cannot understand my comments give me a call.

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Attachment

Colbert Landfill NPL Site. Spokane County, Washington

- October 1980 Citizen complaint about landfill. County notified Keytronic Corp., identified as the contributor of solvent that raised the citizen concern. Site identified as problem. Several nearby domestic wells contaminated with high levels of 1,1,1-trichloroethane (TCA).
- October 1981 Spokane County initiates study of landfill to identify nature and extent of problem. Several additional nearby wells found contaminated with TCA.
- October 1982 Spokane County continues to fund a site investigation to define the extent of the problem.
- August 1983 Colbert landfill proposed as NPL site.
EPA meeting with County, Keytronic to discuss.
- October 1983 Colbert landfill proposed as NPL site.
EPA meeting with County and Keytronic to describe effect of NPL listing and process.
- October 1983 EPA funds a Remedial Action Master Plan (RAMP).
EPA, County, Keytronic meetings to discuss.
- October 1984 Spokane County and Keytronic distribute bottled water to residents with TCA contamination above 200ppb.
- June 1984 County and Keytronic, with State money, designed and installed an alternative water system IRM, "A Focused Feasibility Study for Initial Remedial Measures at the Colbert Landfill." IRM completed in January 1985.
- August 1984 EPA Cooperative Agreement with State Ecology for RIFS.
Meetings with County concerning alternate water.
- 1984 ° Spokane County and Keytronic continue to provide bottled water until the alternate water supply (extension of municipal system) was completed.
- ° County and Keytronic continue to sample and analyze private and monitoring wells. This monitoring activity (paid by County and Keytronic) still continues.
- May 1987 Final drafts of the RI/FS documents released for public comment.

Many meetings among County, Keytronic, and EPA/State to discuss aspects of RI/FS.

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Sept. 1987 EPA signs ROD

January 1988 Special notice letters to Spokane County, Keytronic, Fairchild AFB.
Notice letters to 9 additional PRPs.

March 1988 Negotiations with PRPs (Spokane, Keytronic, Fairchild AFB) begin. PRPs submit a good faith offer with a well developed scope of work for the RD/RA.

May 1988 End of moratorium (120 days)
Letters of agreement in principle
Cooperative effort between EPA/Ecology and PRPs to complete decree and Scope of Work.

July 1988 Preauthorization for mixed funding. Spokane County identified as PRP implementing RD/RA.

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